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SUBJECT: FILM "LAST KING OF AMERICA"

1. "THE LAST KING OF AMERICA," A TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY FEATURING A SIMULATED INTERVIEW WITH GEORGE III (PETER USTINOV) BY AMERICAN JOURNALIST ERIC SEVAREID, WAS PROGRAMMED IN WARSAW AND GDANSK WITH GENERALLY GOOD RESULTS. DOMINATED BY USTINOV'S TOUR DE FORCE PERFORMANCE, THE FILM REQUIRES A GOOD COMMAND OF ENGLISH, BUT THE RESPONSE TO IT ILLUSTRATES THAT SUCH FILMS DO HAVE GOOD POTENTIAL FOR SPECIALIZED AUDIENCES OF IMPORTANCE TO US.

2. THE FILM WAS WELL RECEIVED AT A JOINT BRITISH COUNCIL/ AMERICAN EMBASSY SHOWING AT THE BRITISH LIBRARY AS WELL AS SCREENINGS BEFORE STUDENTS AND TEACHERS OF THE INSTITUTE OF APPLIED LINGUISTICS. IN GDANSK, SHOWINGS AT THE UNIVERSITY ENGLISH DEPARTMENT WERE LESS SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE OF POOR EQUIPMENT WHICH MARRED THE SOUND TRACK.

3. THE POST REQUESTS THAT THIS SAME FILM SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR USE DURING THE ENGLISH TEACHING SEMINAR IN POZNAN DURING AUGUST, 1975. FY 76 RMS DATA WILL BE SUPPLIED LATER.

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